



DELMARVA AGRICULTURE DATA WEEKLY BROILER CHICKS REPORT

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PLACEMENTS UP 1%

For the week ending September 17, 2005, growers placed 11.6 million broiler chicks in Delmarva growing houses, according to the Maryland Agricultural Statistics Service. These placements were 0.9% above the comparable week a year earlier. Broiler-type chicks hatched (11.6 million) increased 0.9% from comparable week in 2004. Eggs set in incubators during the week totaled 13.1 million, an increase of 8.6% from the same week a year earlier. Federally inspected slaughter on Delmarva was unavailable for the week ending September 17, 2005.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET AND BROILER CHICKS PLACED ON DELMARVA

WEEK ENDING	EGGS SET 1/		CHICKS HATCHED 1/		CHICKS PLACED 2/	
	PREV YEAR	CURR YEAR	PREV YEAR	CURR YEAR	PREV YEAR	CURR YEAR
----- THOUSANDS -----						
07/23/05	13,813	14,289	11,259	11,543	11,683	11,546
07/30/05	13,851	14,140	11,425	11,819	11,425	11,820
08/06/05	13,881	14,184	11,439	11,810	11,614	11,813
08/13/05	13,803	13,875	11,416	11,826	11,416	11,827
08/20/05	13,898	14,093	11,481	11,708	11,481	11,711
08/27/05	13,704	13,822	11,569	11,751	11,569	11,806
09/03/05	13,342	13,807	11,509	11,523	11,509	11,598
09/10/05	12,708	13,678	11,584	11,850	11,584	11,850
09/17/05	12,087	13,129	11,501	11,599	11,501	11,599

1/ For all broiler-type chicks, including those intended for hatchery flocks.

2/ The difference between chicks hatched and placed includes chicks withdrawn for hatchery flocks, inshipments and outshipments. None of those numbers are published to avoid disclosure of proprietary information.

* Revised.

NEGOTIATED PRICE FOR TRUCKLOT OF READY-TO-COOK, ICE-PACK, GRADE A FRYERS (\$ per CWT) 1/

	WEEK ENDING	PREV.	PREV.	PREV.
	09/24/05	WEEK	MONTH	YEAR
New York Weighted Avg	72.41	74.29	69.60	62.64
12-City Composite 2/	73.14	74.20	71.32	69.59

1/ Source: U.S.D.A., Poultry Market News.

2/ 12-cities: Boston/New England, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Denver, Detroit, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, St. Louis and San Francisco.